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damaged by the Nationalist troops as they withdrew. Even if the Nationalists should retake the line scon, they would be unable to reconstruct it because of lack of repair materials.

- 2. Consequently, the Tsinan office of the National Railway Administration is now planning to concentrate on the rebuilding of the Tientsin-Pukow line by dismanding and using for repairs the available part of the Chiaochi line. It is estimated that sufficient material could be obtained in this way to reconstruct two-thirds of the line.
- 3. All the Tientsin-Pukow line from ten miles south of Tsinan (Licheng, 117-63; 35-45) to Lincheng (117-20, 34-52) must be rebuilt. From Tangchiachuang (116-52, 36-37) to Tawenkou (117-06, 35-57) the line was completely demolished by the Communists. The line is operating from Lincheng to Pukow (118-44, 32-66).
- 4. One-third of the Tsinan Railway Administration personnel will be transferred to Pukow, one-third will be dismissed, and one-third will remain in Tsirah. We impre-scale transfer of Tsinah rail personnel will occur until the Nationalist transport held all the Tientsin-Pukow line.

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